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HYDROTREATING GAS OIL**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each listed document is submitted herewith, together with a copy of a Supplementary European Search Report which cited it. The remaining documents listed in that search report were previously submitted.

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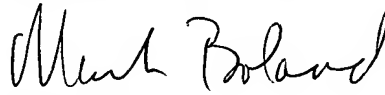
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